

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Before the Examiner:
Alexander, Jr. et al. : Mew, Kevin D.
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Serial No.: 09/513,518 : Group Art Unit: 2616
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Title: PORTABLE NETWORKING : IBM Corporation
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of January 26, 2007, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 26, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 19 of this paper.